

## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Agency information collection activities: Announcement of Board approval under delegated authority and submission to OMB **AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System **SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the final approval of a proposed information collections by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) under OMB delegated authority, as per 5 CFR 1320.16 (OMB Regulations on Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public). Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission, supporting statements and approved collection of information instrument(s) are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995,

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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## Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, without revision, of the following report:

Report title: Recordkeeping Requirements Associated with the Interagency
Statement on Complex Structured Finance Activities.

Agency form number: FR 4022.

OMB control number: 7100-0311.

Frequency: Annual.

Reporters: State member banks, bank holding companies, and U.S.

branches and agencies of foreign banks supervised by the Federal Reserve.

Estimated annual reporting hours: 200 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 10 hours.

Estimated number of respondents: 20.

*General description of report:* The FR 4022 is authorized by sections 11(a), 11(i), 21, and 25 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 248(a), 248(i), 483,

and 602), section 5 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1844), and section 13(a) of the International Banking Act (12 U.S.C. 3108(a)) and is voluntary guidance for supervised institutions. However, the Federal Reserve expects to use the Statement in reviewing the internal controls and risk management systems of those financial institutions engaged in Complex Structured Finance Activities (CSFTs) as part of the Federal Reserve's supervisory process. Since the Federal Reserve does not collect any information, no issue of confidentiality normally arises. However, in the event records generated under the guidance are obtained by the Federal Reserve during an examination of a state member bank or U.S. branch or agency of a foreign bank, or during an inspection of a bank holding company, confidential treatment may be afforded to the records under exemption 8 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(8). FOIA exemption 8 exempts from disclosure matters that are contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions.

Abstract: The Interagency Statement on Complex Structured Finance
Activities provides that state member banks, bank holding companies, and
U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks supervised by the Federal

Reserve should establish and maintain policies and procedures for identifying, evaluating, assessing, documenting, and controlling risks associated with certain CSFTs. A financial institution engaged in CSFTs should maintain a set of formal, firm-wide policies and procedures that are designed to allow the institution to identify, evaluate, assess, document, and control the full range of credit, market, operational, legal, and reputational risks associated with these transactions. These policies may be developed specifically for CSFTs, or included in the set of broader policies governing the institution generally. A financial institution operating in foreign jurisdictions may tailor its policies and procedures as appropriate to account for, and comply with, the applicable laws, regulations and standards of those jurisdictions. A financial institution's policies and procedures should establish a clear framework for the review and approval of individual CSFTs. These policies and procedures should set forth the responsibilities of the personnel involved in the origination, structuring, trading, review, approval, documentation, verification, and execution of CSFTs. A financial institution should define what constitutes a new complex structured finance product and establish a control process for the approval of such new products. An institution's policies also should provide for new complex structured finance products to receive the approval of all relevant control

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areas that are independent of the profit center before the product is offered to

customers.

Current Actions: On August 28, 2012, the Federal Reserve published a

notice in the Federal Register (77 FR 52031) requesting public comment for

60 days on the extension, without revision, of the FR 4022. The comment

period for this notice expired on October 29, 2012. The Federal Reserve did

not receive any comments.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 16,

2012.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Secretary of the Board.

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